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**November 18, 2016**

***Please Join Us!***



Join County Executive Ike Leggett, County Councilmembers and other public officials, faith leaders, and neighbors in reaffirming the values of **diversity, inclusion, and respect for all** that have made Montgomery County special.

**Sunday, November 20**

★ 2:30pm - 3:30pm ★

Music starts 2pm

**Veterans Plaza** at the  
**Silver Spring Civic Building**

1 Veterans Pl, Silver Spring, MD



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**UCAB's Land Use Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, November 21 7:00pm-9:00pm**  
**Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center**  
**12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown**

**Topic: Overview from the "Fix270Now Coalition"**

**Guest: Rich Parsons, Vice Chair, Suburban Maryland Transportation Alliance**

*All board and their committee meetings are open to the public!*

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to [catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov).

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**Regular Fares to be Charged on Ride On Route #301 Starting Monday, November 21**

Starting on Monday, November 21, Ride On's Route 301 bus service will begin charging regular fares and riders will have to pay or show proper ID for each trip. Introductory free rides will end on Sunday, November 20, 2016. Information about Ride On's discount programs and regular fares is below.

Discount Programs

- Riders who are 65 and older and persons with disabilities with ID's can ride free between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM Monday through Saturday.
- Students in grades K-12 can ride free from 2:00 – 8:00 PM weekdays with a Youth Cruiser SmarTrip card or a valid school ID.

Other Ride On fares are shown below:

- Regular Fare, Token, or SmarTrip \_\_\_\_\_ \$1.75
- Metrorail-to-Ride On Bus Transfer \_\_\_\_\_ \$1.25
- Seniors and persons with disability with valid ID except during free periods:
- Senior/Disabled SmarTrip or Cash \_\_\_\_\_ \$ .85
- Senior/Disabled SmarTrip Transfer from Metrorail \_\_\_\_\_ \$ .35
- MetroAccess Customer with ID, Companion \_\_\_\_\_ FREE
- Person with disability with Metro Attendant Eligible Disability ID Card - Attendant rides half fare or free depending on time
- Children under age 5 (Limit 2 children per paying passenger) \_\_\_\_\_ FREE
- Local Bus Transfer with SmarTrip ((valid for two hours from first boarding) \_\_\_\_\_ FREE

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***Small Business Saturday***  
**Saturday, November 26**

Small Business Saturday always takes place on the first Saturday after Thanksgiving Day, which is November 26 this year. This means it takes place directly after Black Friday. The idea behind Small Business Saturday is that customers can support local businesses by shopping at them. This makes it the opposite of Black Friday, which focuses on large retailers. Small Business Saturday got its start in 2010 and is now observed around the world.

***Support our local small businesses!***

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## Live Discussion with County Executive Ike Leggett

Tuesday, November 29 2:00pm-3:00pm

- [Submit Your Question](#)

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### ***Public Hearing!***

## **Proposed Increased Fines for Commercial Businesses Failing to Remove Snow**

### ***Expedited Bill 46-16***

**Tuesday, November 29 1:30pm**

**Council Office Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> fl Hearing Room  
100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville**

The Montgomery County Council will hold a public hearing on Expedited Bill 46-16 that would provide for penalties for violations of the law requiring removal of snow and ice on certain property. Bill 46-16 also would generally amend the law concerning the removal of snow and ice from sidewalks and pedestrian crossings in the County. Call 240-777-7910 to obtain copies of the bill.

It will be televised live by County Cable Montgomery (CCM) on Cable Channels 996 (high definition) and 6 (standard definition) on Comcast; Channels 1056 (HD) and 6 (SD) on RCN; and Channel 30 on Verizon. The hearing also will be available live via streaming through the Council web site at

<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/ondemand/index.html>.

Those interested in testifying at the public hearing can start sign up on online at

<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council/phsignup.html> or call 240-777-7803.

***The deadline to sign up is 5:00pm on Monday, November 28.***

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## **Help Name the County's Bus Rapid Transit System (BRT)!**

Yesterday, Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett launched the start of a naming contest to brand the County's Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, which in the next few years is expected to transform the transportation alternatives available in the County. A broad coalition of supporters attended the event along US 29, which is expected to be the first BRT in the State of Maryland and could serve both Montgomery and Howard counties.

More about the branding contest <http://getonboardbrt.com/vote>

More about the BRT <http://getonboardbrt.com>

Press Release [http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Media\\_Detail.aspx?NaID=4150](http://www2.montgomerycountymd.gov/mcgportalapps/Media_Detail.aspx?NaID=4150)

***GRAND PRIZE DRAWING! . . . a 9.7" iPad Pro with SMART KEYBOARD and APPLE PENCIL!***



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## **MCDOT Begins Project to Improve Intersection at MD 28 and Riffle Ford Road**

On Wednesday, November 9, the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) began construction of a project to improve safety and traffic flow at the intersection of MD 28 (Darnestown Road) and Riffle Ford Road. The project will widen the roadway along westbound MD 28 to provide exclusive right and left turn lanes and two through lanes; widen the roadway along southbound Riffle Ford Road to provide an exclusive left lane and a left through right lane; and complete ADA upgrades including sidewalk, detectable warning surfaces and sidewalk ramp upgrades.

Travelers are advised to expect lane closures during construction. The project is expected to be completed by the third week of December, weather permitting.

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## **MCDOT's Division of Transportation Engineering is making progress on several bike path projects, including:**

- The 3,400-linear-foot bike Needwood Road Bike Path along the south side of Needwood Road will provide a connection from the western terminus of the ICC Shared Use Path to 55 feet east of Equestrian Lane.
- The 1,600-linear-foot Clopper Road Bike Path along the north side of Clopper Road is located between Hopkins and Kingsview roads and provide the missing link between two previously completed bike path sections and existing sidewalks and shared use paths serving the community.

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## **State to Continue Roadway Resurfacing Through Fall in Montgomery County**

*Day and Nighttime Work Is Scheduled*

As the weather cools down, the Maryland Department of Transportation's State Highway Administration (SHA) is continuing several safety and resurfacing projects in Montgomery County. The projects are scheduled to be completed late fall, weather permitting.

Crews will patch, resurface and apply new pavement markings on all traffic lanes. To expedite all phases of work, crews are permitted to close one lane in both directions, weekdays from 9:00am to 3:00pm, and two lanes overnight, Sunday through Friday, from 8:00pm to 5:00am; work hours and lane closures may be amended.

Below is a list of the project locations, costs and responsible contractors:

- **MD 27 (Ridge Road) from Sunset Drive to MD 80 (Kemptown Road)** in Damascus, six miles, \$4 million, F.O. Day of Rockville;
- **MD 117 (Clopper Road) from Longdraft Street to I-270** in Gaithersburg, one and one-half miles, \$2.3 million, M. Luis Construction of Baltimore;
- **MD 124 (Quince Orchard Road) from Orchard Ridge Drive to MD 355 (Frederick Road)** in Gaithersburg, two and one-quarter miles, \$2.75 million, F.O. Day of Rockville; and
- **MD 355 (Rockville Pike) from Templeton Place to Hubbard Drive** in North Bethesda/Rockville, one mile, \$2.3 million, Congressional Contracting of Potomac.

Contractors will use equipment that can be disruptive to travel. While SHA and its transportation partners work hard to maintain safe traffic mobility in work zones, each driver needs to actively modify his or her driving style to help prevent crashes. In case of inclement weather, SHA will continue in spring 2017 when temperatures are adequate for asphalt resurfacing. Motorists can receive real-time travel conditions by logging onto [www.md511.org](http://www.md511.org) or calling 511.

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## State Update: I-270 Interchange at Watkins Mill Road, Gaithersburg

Currently SHA is finalizing the project design phase and aims to advertise the contract in Winter 2016/2017. The scope of work includes a full diamond interchange and the relocation of the southbound I-270 off-ramp towards MD 124. Evaluation for consistency with the I-270 Innovative Congestion Management (ICM) Project must happen early 2017. Coordination with Montgomery County and the Future Police Station project is ongoing.

For more information and the schedule, visit

<http://apps.roads.maryland.gov/WebProjectLifeCycle/ProjectInformation.aspx?projectno=MO3512115>

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## Local Utilities' Campaign to Protect Customers from Scammers for "Utilities United Against Scams Day"

To protect yourself against scams, see tips at

<http://www.pepco.com/library/templates/Interior.aspx?Pageid=6442454157&id=6442460269>

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**Planning Board** [http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news\\_releases](http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases)

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Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingservices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>

